Introduced by Senator Simitian

February 23, 2007

An act to amend Section 12223 of the Elections Code, relating to elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 967, as amended, Simitian. Election precincts.

Existing law requires the boundaries of an election precinct to be fixed such that it contains no more than 1,000 voters on the 88th day prior to the election.

This bill would authorize a local elections official to subtract permanent-absent vote by mail voters from that total.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 12223 of the Elections Code is amended to read:
- 12223. (a) Whenever a jurisdiction is divided into election precincts or whenever the boundary of an established precinct is
- 5 changed or a new precinct is created, the precinct boundary shall
- 6 be fixed in a manner so that the number of voters in the precinct
- 7 does not exceed 1,000 on the 88th day prior to the day of election,
- 8 unless otherwise provided by law.
- 9 (b) An elections official may subtract the number of permanent
- 10 absent vote by mail voters, pursuant to Chapter 3 of Division 3,

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- 1 from the total number of voters for purposes of complying with
- 2 subdivision (a) if after subtracting the number of permanent vote
- 3 by mail voters, the number of voters in the precinct does not exceed
- 4 the percentage of nonpermanent vote by mail voters in the
- 5 jurisdiction on the 88th day prior to the election multiplied by
- 6 1,000, unless otherwise provided by law.